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Sheriff's Sale.

By virtue and authority of Transcript Execution issued from the office of the Clerk of the Circuit Court of Bates County, Mo., returnable at the May term, 1916, of said Court, and to me directed, in favor of Beech Rosier and against R. J. Groves I have levied upon and seized all the right, title, interest and claim of the said R. J. Groves of, in and to the following described Real Estate, to-wit:

East half of the west half the west half of the east half and the northeast quarter of the northeast quarter and the northeast quarter of the southwest quarter and the southwest quarter of the southeast quarter and thirty-five acres off the north part of the northwest quarter of the southwest quarter, all in section (12), township (42) range (33), Bates County Missouri.

All lying and being in the said county and State of Missouri; and I will on Monday, the 22nd day of May A. D., 1916, between the hours of nine o'clock in the forenoon and five o'clock in the afternoon of that day, at the East Court House door, in the City of Butler, County of Bates aforesaid, sell the same, or so much thereof as may be required, at Public Vendue, to the highest bidder for cash in hand, to satisfy said execution and costs.

Harve Johnson,
27-4t
Sheriff of Bates County, Mo.

FIVE DEAD IN TORNADOES

Several Missouri Counties Also Suffer Heavy Damage from Wind, Hail and Rain Storms.

The tornado which swept north Vernon county recently, touched the southern part of Bates county and extended thirty miles, probably totaling a loss of \$500,000.

Two deaths are reported, with possibly thirty injured, at Arthur, six miles south. Ruth Fairbanks, 7 years old, was killed at Rockville. Dr. C. P. Bowden of Appleton City was killed. Sam Fairbanks and wife and two children were dangerously injured at Arthur. Miss Madison at Metz and Edgar Hirni at Rockville also were injured.

At Rhehart, H. L. Dittmars is not expected to survive his injuries which were received when his store collapsed. The Missouri Pacific station at Rhehart was destroyed and many houses twisted from their foundations. H. S. Dittmars, at Rhehart, received a broken collar bone and after digging his family from the ruins of his home went to the rescue of his father, who was buried in the collapse of the postoffice and store.

Rescue parties worked all night in the storm district and all available doctors helped with the injured. Many freaks of the storm are reported, a calf in a pasture having been found with a pitchfork driven in its side. Hailstones broke glass and pounded fruit trees to pieces. Near Prairie City Charles Wilt was injured in the collapse of the Adam Wilt home. At the Sam Eddy home in the same district three children were injured when their home was destroyed.

The tornado passed through the northern part of Miller county and several buildings in Olean were wrecked. John Farris and his wife, living four miles in the country from Olean, were killed and their home blown down. A young hired man living with the Farris family, whose name has not been learned, probably was fatally injured. Six persons in Olean were injured, some of the probably fatally.

MAY BRING TROLLEY LINES

Proposed Coal Distilling Plant May Mean Better Transportation for Central Missouri Counties.

The location of a plant in Central Missouri to distill canal coal may be the means of providing transportation facilities for that part of the state, which so long has faced that problem.

It became known recently that several syndicates have plans under consideration to construct electric lines into the coal fields. Announcement by the American Coal Refining Company of plans to construct a distilling plant which would produce commercial gas, solved a lot of questions, and it was said that chances of an agreement between the refining company and rail men are not remote.

It is said that the McKinley syndicate is interested in developing the section, but Mr. Stevenson would not confirm the report. The Missouri Pacific and Rock Island have lines in parts of the field, while the Frisco touches the south side. The Missouri Pacific has branches from its Kansas City-St. Louis line to Warsaw and Versailles, which are in the midst of the field. Whether officials of that line had been considering converting the branch lines for electricity Mr. Stevenson would not say.

Development has been slow in certain sections of the state under which the largest beds of canal coal lie. Without rail lines, the refining company would not have transportation for its products. But with electric lines to which the gas could be sold, furnishing cheap electric current, the coal country would be accessible.

Monett Votes Bonds.

Monett the other day voted to issue \$60,000 in bonds the proceeds of which will be used in building a link in the Springfield, Joplin, Kansas City road. The bond issue carried by a vote of about 4 to 1.

Killed on St. Louis Street.

Miss Minnie Nelson, 20 years old, a stenographer and daughter of Andrew Nelson, a traveling salesman of Kansas City, was fatally injured early the other evening when a motor truck, which had been struck by a street car, crushed her against a trolley pole. She was taken to the city hospital, where she died in half an hour. Miss Nelson was waiting for a street car.

M. U. Borrows Money.

That the University of Missouri is running on borrowed money was the announcement made at the executive offices of the school recently. Since last October the state has been \$75,000 behind in appropriations to the state university, and had it not been for an arrangement to borrow from local banks, the school would be in difficulty.

No Liquor Into Columbia.

Temporary injunctions restraining railroads and express companies from handling liquor into Columbia were granted recently by Judge David H. Harris of the Boone county circuit court.

Would Be Supreme Justice.

Glendy B. Arnold, judge of the circuit court at St. Louis, has announced his candidacy for Democratic nomination for judge of the supreme court to fill the unexpired term of the late Judge Brown.

DISCUSS THE NOTE

Germany Seems Inclined to Resort to Quibbling in the Submarine Matter.

GERARD AND HOLLWEG MEET

Imperial Chancellor Summons American Ambassador to Castle for Conference—Refuse to Talk.

Berlin, April 25.—The outcome of the present crisis depends on what President Wilson and the American government want. The general view of the present situation as gleaned from conversations with a number of persons close to official circles here is about as follows:

If President Wilson and the American government are arguing that earlier concessions by Germany have not been adhered to and insist that the submarine campaign be conducted without deviation within the limits of German assurances and pledges in former notes, then a settlement probably can be arranged, notwithstanding what is considered the "sharp and unfriendly tone" of the American note. The pledges probably can be restated, if need be, and definitely reformulated so that there can be no possibility of error or question of responsibility.

If, however, the United States insists on further limitation of the submarine war against commerce, then there appears to be little chance of agreement for a satisfactory settlement and it is considered that a breach of diplomatic relations, if it should come, would in all probability be only a temporary status, and would soon develop into an actual state of war.

Views Not Official.

This view is not official or authoritative, but represents the opinion of persons who are in a position to be well informed. These persons carefully refrained from making definite or authoritative predictions, and specified that they were voicing only their own opinions, but these may possibly be straws showing which way the wind is blowing.

Hollweg Summoned Gerard.

The American ambassador was called by telephone to the imperial chancellors' palace this morning. He went immediately and the conference with Doctor Von Bethmann-Hollweg lasted an hour and ten minutes. When he came from the conference Ambassador Gerard declined to give any information as to the nature of the discussion and would not answer a question as to whether anyone else was present.

CAUGHT BRITISH RENEGADE

Sir Roger Casement Was Attempting to Land German Arms on Coast of Ireland.

London, April 25.—Sir Roger Casement has been captured from a German ship, which attempted to land arms in Ireland and was sunk. This official announcement was made tonight.

"During the period between the afternoon of April 20 and the afternoon of April 21 an attempt to land arms and ammunition in Ireland was made by a vessel under the guise of a neutral merchant ship, but which in reality was a German auxiliary, in conjunction with a German submarine. The auxiliary was sunk and a number of prisoners were made, among whom was Sir Roger Casement."

The news of the capture of Sir Roger was received with satisfaction, mingled with regret at the termination of what, previous to his alleged activities with the Germans, had been a brilliant career, useful both to humanity and his own country. That he should have engaged in such a madcap enterprise as the British official communication gives as the reason for his seizure is considered as lending color to the view held by his old friends here that he is mentally unbalanced.

PITTSBURGH STRIKERS RIOT

Masked Young Woman Led 13,000 Men in Attack on Westinghouse Electric Plant.

Pittsburgh, April 25.—The first serious rioting in the strike of thirteen thousand employees of the Westinghouse Electric and Manufacturing Company in East Pittsburgh occurred tonight. Several shots were fired and an unidentified striker and a detective were injured.

After breaking up a meeting of 1,800 shell makers at Wilmerding, an adjoining borough, the strikers formed in line, at the head of which was a stylishly dressed young woman, whose face was covered by a paper mask. At a command of "Forward, march!" given by the young woman, they marched off towards East Pittsburgh.

Down With 1,000 Chinese.

Shanghai, April 24.—More than a thousand soldiers and men of the crew of the steamer Hsin-Yu were lost when the steamer sank after collision with the cruiser Hai-Yung Saturday evening, south of the Chusan Islands.

Tallest Man in World Dies.

New York, April 24.—Hugo, a circus giant, who was said to be the tallest man in the world, died here today of pneumonia. He was eight feet four inches high, and normally weighed 336 pounds.

ALL READY FOR BILLY SUNDAY

Twelve Thousand Persons Attended the Dedication of the Big Kansas City Tabernacle.

Kansas City, April 24.—Billy Sunday is sure of a great welcome when he comes to Kansas City next Saturday.

Any doubt of that was swept away yesterday afternoon when twelve thousand men, women and children filed the tabernacle for the dedication exercises. A deep reverence pervaded the great audience—so much so that the majority was just a little timid when applause broke out once or twice.

The religious enthusiasm that swayed the crowd was such that one lost sight of the fact that here was a vast congregation come together in the simplest kind of "a house of God."

It was a democratic crowd. It was a crowd in which men were almost as numerous as the women, for the campaign so far has emphasized the fact that religion is for men as well as women. The rich and poor were there, old and young. There were some who hadn't been to a church in years, as was indicated when one woman said to another on the way to the tabernacle:

"What time does service begin in the churches as a rule?"

Motor cars lined the streets for blocks around, but the great majority came afoot or in street cars. A squad of patrolmen kept a clear track in the path of motor cars on Admiral Boulevard for the crowd, but the twenty-nine doors to the tabernacle drew the crowds in and down front without the least confusion. When the service began at 3 o'clock every bench was filled, several hundred persons were standing in the vestibule and the rostrum was nearly filled.

The natural acoustics of the tabernacle and the voice reflector above the pulpit enabled those in the rear to hear easily and no one left during the service.

The services began with the choir of one thousand voices, led by Fred A. Mills singing softly "Nearer, My God to Thee," and then gradually a little louder until many in the audience joined in. Another song, "Hallelujah, What a Savior," by the choir, followed. Dr. Harry C. Rogers then held aloft one of the programs, waving it and asked the crowd to do likewise. Soon everybody was waving the "Chautauqua salute" and the dedication exercises began.

PLAN BIG HUMANE MOVEMENT

American Association Sets Aside May 15 to 20 to Teach Kindness to Animals.

Albany, N. Y., April 24.—May 21 is to be observed by hundreds of churches throughout the United States as "Humane Sunday." At this time clergymen are being urged to preach special sermons on the subject of kindness. The movement is under the direction of the American Humane association of this city, which is prepared to send out a large amount of literature dealing with this subject. A most valuable leaflet has been prepared for clergymen which may be had on request.

The week of May 15-20, inclusive, will be known as "Be Kind to Animals Week" by societies for the prevention of cruelty to animals. During this week every effort will be made to emphasize the economic and moral value of treating animals humanely. Boy scouts and camp fire girls are co-operating to make the movement a success. Work-horse parades, common dog shows, illustrated lectures and the distribution of humane literature are a few of the special plans laid out by the local societies. The anti-cruelty movement is making very rapid progress throughout the United States. There are now 562 anti-cruelty societies, a slight gain over last year. These organizations handled cases involving 212,215 children and 2,394,721 animals, during 1915.

JOURNALISTS END MEETING

Teachers Adjourned Meeting at Lawrence, Kas., After Choosing a New Set of Officers.

Lawrence, Kas., April 24.—The sixth annual session of the American Association of Journalism Teachers adjourned late today, bringing to a close its two-day session with the election of officers. James Melvin Lee of New York University, was elected president; Will H. Myers, University of Texas, was chosen vice president, and Carl H. Getz, University of Montana, secretary.

Fred Newton Scott of the University of Michigan and J. W. Piercy of the University of Indiana were elected members of the executive committee.

Pay Sulzberger Head \$125,000.

New York, April 22.—Thomas E. Wilson of Chicago, who started in life as an office boy and now is 47 years old, has become head of the Sulzberger & Sons' Packing Company at \$125,000 a year, said to be the highest salary in the world.

The British Ship Sabia Sunk. London, April 22.—The British steamer Sabia has been sunk, according to the Central News. The captain and twenty-four men of the crew were landed.

HORSE OWNERS CONGREGATE AROUND SICK HORSE AND GIVE ADVICE

If all the medicine should be given that is suggested at these little conferences around the sick stall of the horse, he would swell up and burst like a poisoned pup. Every sick horse has his followers, and every case of sickness has its many advisers. Some say "soda," some say "nitre," some say "salts," until the vocabulary and contents of the drug store are exhausted. After these suggestions have been kindly offered you, you are then at a loss to know what course to take. Until some prominent team owner steps up, and enlightens you that the only speedy and reliable treatment is G & G Colic and Distemper Remedy, a soothing oil preparation. A little surprise package goes with each purchase. Your dealer will tell you. Go today, as we know not when the high prices of drugs will make this offer prohibitive. Sold by Rhodes Pharmacy, Butler, Mo.

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Trustee's Sale.

Whereas, Judson F. Rogers and wife, Ida M. Rogers, by their deed of trust, dated October 15th, 1914, and recorded in the Recorder's office within and for Bates county, Mo., in Book No. 214, at page 587 conveyed to the undersigned trustee the following described real estate lying and being situate in the county of Bates and State of Missouri, to-wit:

All of block one hundred (100) and also that part of what was originally Tenth street, but now which has been vacated in the town of Walnut, now called Foster, Bates County, Missouri.

Which conveyance was made in trust to secure the payment of one certain note fully described in said deed of trust; and whereas, default has been made in the payment of said note and the same is now past due and unpaid.

Now therefore, at the request of the legal holder of said note and pursuant to the conditions of said deed of trust, I will proceed to sell the above described premises at public vendue to the highest bidder for cash, at the east front door of the Court House in the city of Butler, county of Bates, State of Missouri, on Saturday, April 29, 1916.

Between the hours of nine o'clock in the forenoon and five o'clock in the afternoon of that day for the purpose of satisfying said debt, interest and costs.

M. S. HORN,
Trustee.

Notice.

Notice is hereby given that letters of administration upon the estate of Isaac N. Brown, deceased, have been granted to the undersigned by the Probate Court of Bates County, bearing date the 10th day of April, 1916.

All persons having claims against said estate are required to exhibit them to the undersigned for allowance within six months after the date of said letters, or they may be precluded from any benefit of such estate; and if such claims be not exhibited within one year from the date of the last insertion of this publication, they shall be forever barred.

Date of last insertion April 27, 1916.

T. D. EMBREE,
Administrator.

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